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COURT HOUSES AND COURTS

Kentucky became a state in 1792. Jefferson, Fayette and Lincoln counties are the oldest in the state; they were formed in 1780; Logan county was organized in 1792, Christian county in 1796, and in 1798 Muhlenberg county was organized out of Christian and Logan counties. Henderson and Ohio were formed the same year.

Gov. James Garrard, the second governor of Kentucky, appointed Wm. Bell, Jas. Craig, Isaac Davis, John Russell, Robt. Cesna, Richard Morton, John Adams and Jeff McPerson the first justices of the peace for the county of Muhlenberg. The office of county judge had not been inaugurated. The magistrates held the county courts until 1850, when the office of the county judge was established, and all county officials were appointed up until 1850. Under the new constitution they were elected by a majority vote of the people.

In March, 1799, a court for Muhlenberg county was organized and held at the residence of John Dennis, about two miles southeast of Greenville. Wm. Bell and Wm. Worthington presided, Chas. Wing was appointed clerk, John Bradley was appointed sheriff of the county, Jas. Weir was made his deputy. Jas. Weir was the grandfather of the late Col. E.R. Weir, and he was a progressive and useful man to the county and a very successful man in business.

In 1797 Col. Wm. Campbell moved from near Lexington, to Muhlenberg county and took possession of a large grant of military land, made to Gen. Wm. Russell of Virginia. Col. Campbell became an heir to the land, by being a son-in-law of Gen. Russell. This tract of land included the present site of Greenville and for miles around. Campbell settled on the west end of the Weir, now Gish farm, then called Caney Station. Campbell being desirous of having the county seat upon his possession, he selected the present site of Greenville and donated several acres to the county, the county officers sold some of the donation as town lots and appropriated the money in building a court house.

Samuel Russell the son of Gen. Wm. Russell, built the first house in Greenville; it was built on the west side of Main street upon a lot which includes the Miller & Miller furniture store, known as the Hay House, and extended to the corner of Main and Main Cross street.

The Russell Hotel was noted for its hospitality and fine entertainment for many years. It was removed about 1867. Samuel Russell was the grandfather of Edward Russell, now of Paris, Tenn.

The first court that was held in Greenville was held in the Russell House. In 1800 a rude and antique court house was built of hewed logs, 18 by 20 and 17 feet high made in two stories, one door and three windows, a partition in the upper story forming two rooms, court room in lower story. The cracks were daubed with mud and lime and ceiled inside with shaved boards pegged on; the roof was made of boards and pegged. A log jail was also built. Then trials and litigation in the county commenced. Judges Bell and Worthington presided.

Judge Bell was one of six brothers who came from Virginia to Kentucky about 1796; he and three of his brothers settled in Muhlenberg county; they all raised large families, but now Thompson Bell, of Belton is the only representative of the name in the county; he is a grandson of Judge Bell.

In 1803 a criminal or circuit court was established in the county, Judges Bell and Worthington presiding. Chas. Fox Wing was appointed circuit clerk. Wing was a native of Massachusetts, born in 1780; his father and family came to Kentucky about 1796; Wing was appointed county clerk when he was 19 years old and circuit court clerk at the age of 23. He held these offices by appointment until 1850, when he was elected to the office of circuit court clerk. He retired in 1856, and died in 1861. He was a captain of a company in the war of 1812. Wing married a daughter of Col. Campbell and became an heir to the military lands.

Christopher Tompkins was the first commonwealth attorney in the county. The first grand jury impaneled in the county consisted of the following named persons: Wm. Roark, Wm. Boggess, Jacob Taylor, John Keith, John Bone, Samuel Weir, John Corgel, Thomas Littlepage, Dempsey Westbrooks, Jacob Severs, John Stone, Jesse Jackson and Edward Owens. After being sworn in they retired for consultation and after being out awhile they returned and reported "No finding", and were discharged.

The first petit jurymen in the county were: Samuel Headley, John Dennis, David Rhoades, Thos. Bell, Henry Unsel, Thos. Littlepage, Thos. Randolph, George Knott, Henry Davis, Jacob Anthony and Philip Stone. The first indictment case tried in the county was that of Peter Acrefield. He plead "Not guilty" before the court, and was tried and fined one penny and cost.

In 1804 Muhlenberg county was joined with Henderson making a circuit court district. Judge Henry P. Broadenax was appointed judge, associated with Bell and Worthington in Muhlenberg county.

The pioneer log court house stood for 34 years. Courts were held in it by four judges, Bell, Broadenax, Shackelford and McLean. If the history of the proceedings in the old log court house could be written it would prove interesting and perhaps amusing.

Judge Alney McLean was an early settler in the county. He was appointed the first surveyor of the county, and in 1805 he married a daughter of Col. Campbell and became an heir to the military lands; his home was in Greenville. He went to Congress in 1815 and in 1819. He was circuit judge for 20 years. He was the father of Chas. and Alney McLean, who were merchants in Greenville for many years.

The Campbells, McLeans, Wings, Weirs, Russels, Rumseys and Branks were the prominent and leading families during the existence of the log court house.

After the sturdy and energetic pioneers of the county had felled the forest and established farms of note and worth all over the county, and a new generation rising up they began to realize that they were living in the land of the free and the home of the brave. They said, let us have a better court house than the old log one of our fathers; it is not sufficient and is out of date. So in 1834 a new court house was ordered. A building

committee was appointed consisting of Edward Rumsey, Strother Jones, Chas. Wing, James Taggart and Wm. Hancock. The style of building was adopted and Wm. Hancock became the contractor or undertaker, as he was then called. A brick house two stories high thirty feet square on the inside, court room below and three rooms above, and furnished with 16 glass windows. It was built at a cost of about \$2500. A new brick jail and clerk's offices were also built nearby. It was thought to be a great improvement upon the log court house. This historic landmark and temple of justice has stood the storm and tempest of time for 70 years, and the generation that built it has sought rest in the cities of the dead.

About the time that this court house was built, there was some whipping going on in the county; bad characters had come into the county and were perpetrating some thefts and misdemeanors and were dodging the law. An organization of regulators took them in hand and they whipped and drove the most of them from the county.

Now this brick court house has outlived its time. It was built during the homespun era, the raccoon age. It was built in the age of flax breaks, spinning wheels and looms, ox carts, reap hooks, mowing blades and the old Cary plows with wooden mould boards and iron points. It was built when there were tanyards, race tracks and distilleries in every neighborhood. Men drank whiskey to brace themselves up against the hardships of the time, preachers drank it to keep from taking cold when baptizing, doctors drank it to protect them from exposure, lawyers drank it to sharpen up their wits on difficult cases. It was built when men had no idea of the value of their possessions; timber was considered worthless and in the way, and was removed as fast as possible by cutting down and burning it up. Thousands of trees were cut all over the county for a 25 cent coon skin that would now be worth from \$20 to \$50. Coal was considered worthless and of no use, except perchance a blacksmith would use a little if it was convenient, and mix it with his charcoal. Horse mills and water mills were all the go. Wheat was cut with reap hooks and old time cradles, tramped out on a ground floor with horses, the chaff blown out with old fanning mills, and flour and dirt were eaten with very good relish. The people then made and produced nearly everything they needed.

It was built in a time when perhaps the builders and a great many people of the county were expecting the world to come to an end and time to cease. Some preachers were going over the county preaching such doctrine. Protracted meeting and camp meetings were being held all over the county, people preparing themselves to hear Gabriel blow his horn and declare the fight off, but the trumpet never sounded, the world continued to revolve and generations kept coming and time went on and the civil war came up and things began to change. Old time houses, old time ideas and procedure began to be dispensed with, a new and a more progressive era opened up, and the county began to pass from a pioneer and homespun condition to a more polished and progressive age of enterprise and development. The county grew from infancy to manhood and people realized that the court house of 1835 had outlived its time, but they deferred the matter of erecting a new court house until it became a necessity. The people then by petition ordered it taken down, and in the year 1906 a committee was appointed consisting of T.J. Sparks, T.B. Pannell, W.A. Wickliffe, J.W. Lam and W.G. Duncan. They were ordered to erect a new temple of justice that shall meet the demands of the age, and that shall be forever an honor to its builders and a monument of philanthropy and merit to those who said build it. So the old historic landmark was torn down. If a history of its proceedings and occurrences within its walls could be written it would prove interesting. Within its walls hung the scale of justice in which was placed the destiny of life, liberty and property. Many an able attorney has contended with the fire of his eloquence and oratory for human lives, for the rights of men and women. Within its walls many tears were shed, many tears were shed, many sighs uttered, many hearts were made glad and many saddened. Shouts of political speakers have echoed in and around about it.

The following circuit judges have held court within its walls: Alney McLean, John Calhoun, Jesse W. Kincheloe, George B. Cook, H.C. Dabney, R.T. Petrie, J.C. Rogers, R.C. Bowling, J.R. Grace, W.L. Reeves, I.H. Goodnight, S.R. Crewdson and W.P. Sandidge, who now presides. Only two of the judges are now living, the last named. Three died during term of office, Judges Cook, Rogers and Goodnight.

The following elected county judges have held courts within its walls: Goodman, Jones, Shaver, Love, Thompson, Morton, Coleman, Fleming, Sparks and Pace, now present judge.

Now notwithstanding all of the attachments and reverence for ancestors and relics, the spirit of the age demanded the removal of the court house of 1835, and called for a modern and more ample temple of justice, one that shall be acceptable to coming generations.

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Muhlenberg County KY. Marriages

1877 17 Oct.	John Dwyer, of Muhl. 22 1st Martha J. Brewer, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Al. Tn. Tn.
1877 16 Sep.	William H. Stinson, of Muhl. 25 1st L.A. Garner, of Muhl. 15 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn. NC.
1877 — — —	Peter Lam, of Muhl. 2nd. P.C. Mansfield, of Muhl. 22 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Va. Va.
1877 — Nov.	M. Carver, of Muhl. 24 2nd N.E. Driskill, of Muhl. 27, 1st	Farmer	Ky. NC. NC. Ky. Tn. Ky.
1877 8 July	Wesley M. Reed, of Muhl. 24, 1st N. J. Newman, of Muhl. 24 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 8 Feb.	G.W. Smith, of Muhl. 27 2nd Nancy E. Buchanan, of Muhl. 20 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 12 Dec.	James Davenport, of Muhl. 41 2nd Sarah Driskill, of Muhl. 38 2nd	Miner	Pa. En. En. Tn. Va. Va.
1877 21 Dec.	A. McDonald, of Hardin Co. 21 1st Haggie Evans, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 — Oct.	O.P. Coleman, of Muhl. 35 2nd Mizzie Young, of Muhl. 25 2nd.	Teacher	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.

1877 25 Jan.	H. B. Hulett, of Muhl. 21 1st Georgia Coleman, of Davis Co. 18 1st	Carpenter	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 — Sep.	Austin Wickliffe, of Muhl. 21 1st Ann Wilson, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 5 July	Jesse Forehand, of Muhl. 44 2nd S.E. Anderson, of Muhl. 32 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 7 Nov.	A.J. Reed, of Muhl. 29 1st Mary E. Richie, of Muhl. 16 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 26 Aug.	W.G. Anderson, of Muhl. 22 1st M. W. Capps, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 20 Dec.	Jesse Millard, of Muhl. 23 1st Josephine Wilkins, of Muhl. 19 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 12 Dec.	J.S. Gregory, of Muhl. 44 2nd L. Roby, of Muhl. 26 1st	Farmer	Tn. Va. Va. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 — —	Thomas Whitmer, of Muhl. 19 1st C.E. Gross, of Muhl. 20 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 25 Feb.	J. Gross, of Muhl. 27 1st E.P. Carter, of Muhl. 17 1st	Farmer	Ky. Va. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 16 Dec.	G.B. Grundy, of Muhl. 16 1st no birde name given	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 7 Feb.	John Scott, of Muhl. 27, 1st Victoria Johnson, of McLean Co. 26 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 20 June	J.T. Woodburn, of Muhl. — 1st Bettie Corsby, of Muhl. 25 1st.	Doctor	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Va. Tn.
1877 19 Nov.	Ben Drake, of Muhl. 27 1st S.E. Cundiff, of McLean Co. 23 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 4 July	Ivy Miller, of Muhl. 35 2nd Sarah E. Short, of Muhl. 21 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Va.
1877 17 Jan.	Thomas Duvall, of Muhl. 27 2nd. Martha A. McDonald, of Muhl. 17 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 10 Aug.	Wilson Anderson, of Muhl. 22 1st Mary A. Capps, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn. Tn.
1877 20 Dec.	Milton Capps, of Muhl. 22 1st + Tampy Brown, of Muhl. 22 1st (Breckenridge Co.)	Farmer	Ky. Tn. Tn. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 16 Nov.	Lewis Vincent, of Muhl. 21 1st Mary S. Jones, Of Muhl. 21 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 16 Sep.	Henry Ford, of Hopkins Co. 26 3rd F Hilly T. (or F) Phillips, of Muhl. 26 1st	Farmer	Ky. Tn. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 30 Nov.	Amos Bennett, of Muhl. 57 2nd Lydia C. Hendricks, of Muhl. 24 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 6 Dec.	Edward Phillips, of Muhl. 21 1st Mary Halley, of Muhl. 17 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn. Ky.
1877 30 Oct.	Lemuel Powel of Puttman Co. Tn. 21 1st Joan Dillender, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Tn. Tn. Tn. Ky. Tn. Ky.
1877 20 Sep.	David Hunter, of Muhl. 21 1st Roda E. Tyson, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Tn. Tn. Tn. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 20 Sep.	Thornton Shelton, of Muhl. 22 1st Ann Martin, of Muhl. 20 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 15 Sep.	Albert Reno, of Muhl. 35 2nd Cary Pritchett, of Muhl. 21 1st (Hopkins Co.)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 10 Oct.	R.H. Bridges, of Muhl. 21 1st Mary J. Hays, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Tn. Tn. Tn. Ky. Tn. Ky.
1877 22 Sep.	John Stone, of Muhl. 24 1st Eliza A. Gill, of Muhl. 24 1st (parents= Todd)	Farmer	Tn. Tn. Tn. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 22 Feb.	John E. Jarvis, of Muhl. 22 1st Manerva S. Hays, of Muhl. 25 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn. Tn. Va.
1877 15 Feb.	Elijah Wellvahn, of Muhl. 22 1st Richard A. Williams (?) of Muhl. 16 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 3 Dec.	Virgil Oates, of Muhl. 20 1st Eliza Randolph, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.

1877 15 Jan.	=Charles Shemall, of Muhl. 28 1st Amelia Bennett, of Muhl. 18 1st (=Charles b. Henderson Co.)	Farmer	Ky. Gr. Gr. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 10 Sep.	=John P. Shemall, of Muhl. 24 1st Lydia A. Bennett, of Muhl. 21 1st (=John born Henderson Co.)	Farmer	Ky. Gr. Gr. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 30 Mar.	William Moore, of Muhl. 28 1st. Sarah Anderson, of Muhl. 19 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 9 Jan.	=Dabney Cary, of Muhl. 21 1st Fany Atkinson, of Muhl. 18 1st (=Dabney's mother, b. Christian Co.)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 20 Sep.	Riley Bivins, of Muhl. 27 1st Martha Johnson, of Muhl. 21 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. NC. Ky.
1877 20 Oct.	Joseph James, of Muhl. 25 1st Sarah E. Eades, of Muhl. 20 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 9 Dec.	George Lovell, of Muhl. 22 1st Elizabeth Pittman, of Muhl. 21 1st		Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 18 Dec.	Benjamin B. B. B. of Illinois, 40 2nd Amanda Brown, of Muhl. 27 1st	Carpenter	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Va.
1877 27 Dec.	Robert Martin, of Muhl. 22 1st. Lucinda Jones, of Muhl. 19 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 18 Feb.	L. W. Rice, of Muhl. 25 1st Mary J. Drake, of Muhl. 19 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Va. Ky. Ky. Tn.
1877 20 Feb.	John Jarvis, of Muhl. 35 1st Bettie E. Lee, of Muhl. 30 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn.
1877 10 Feb.	Timothy Drake, of Muhl. 19 1st Cordelia C. Sullivan, of Muhl. 18 1st (b. Todd Co)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn.
1877 7 Feb.	Robert Dewass, of Muhl. 23 1st Millie McCown, of Muhl. 18 1st (Butler Co)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 18 Feb.	James Cornell, of Muhl. 21 1st (Logan) Frances N. Langley, of Muhl. 15 1st (m. Tn.)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Va. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 22 Feb.	Jacob Johnston, of Muhl. 29 1st Susan J. Shutt, of Muhl. 16, 1st (m. in Todd Co.)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 10 Mar.	John H. Wells, of Muhl. 26 1st Tempy L. Hill, of Muhl. 23 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 23 Jan.	Joseph Pickins, of Ill. 33 2nd Mary A. Heltalay, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ga. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 17 Jan.	John Hale, of Todd Co. 26 1st Frances J. Duvall, of Muhl. 25 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 23 Jan.	Charles Karness, of Muhl. 44 3rd Mary S. Eades, of Muhl. 34 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 2 Jan.	G.W. Haze, of Muhl. 18 1st (b. Todd Co.) Malvina Shut (?), of Muhl. 17 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Tn. Tn. Tn.
1877 10 July	William Pearson, of Muhl. 21 1st Mary J. McPherson, of Muhl. 18 1st	Farmer	Ky. Tn. Tn. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 7 Dec.	L. Jones, of Muhl. 23 1st Anney Grey, of Muhl. 18 1st		Ky. Tn. Tn. Ky. Tn. Ky.
1877 10 Oct.	G.W. Richardson, of Muhl. 22 1st Mary E. Pri chett, of Muhl. 21 1st (b. Hopkins)		Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 4 June	W.E. Bibb, of Muhl. 20 1st Martha J. Gish, of Muhl. 19 1st (m. Tn.)	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 30 Nov.	Rufus Hendrix, of Muhl. 27 1st Francis Groves, of Muhl. 27 1st	Mechanic	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 30 Oct.	Amos Bennett, of Muhl. 58 2nd Callie Hendrix, of Muhl. 24 1st.	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 5 Oct.	Jo Sallie, of Muhl. 19 1st S.A. Richey, of Muhl. 16, 1st	Farmer	Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.
1877 24 Apr.	J.L. Morris, of Muhl. 23 1st L. Morris, of Muhl. 21 1st	Farmer	Ky. Tn. Ky. Ky. Ky. Ky.

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YOUNG SCHOOL Dist. #11 1908-1909

Parent or Guardian	Names of Children	Date of Birth	Age
A.R. Adcock	George Drake	3 AU 1896	16
	Flora Drake	10 MY 1900	8
Joseph Whitehouse	Bell Whitehouse	21 FE 1889	19
Alvis Adcock	Mary B. Adcock	9 JA 1890	18
Sallie Adcock	Joe B. Adcock	24 SE 1893	15
	John R. Adcock	10 SE 1893	--
	Noah Adcock	28 NO 1897	11
	Maggie Adcock	29 AP 1900	8
Gabe Doss	Robt. Doss	18 MY 1888	19
Nancy Doss	Minnie Doss	10 MR 1891	17
	Nola B. Doss	18 AU 1893	15
	Katie Doss	21 FE 1895	13
	Will Doss	24 AP 1897	11
John Adcock	Grace Adcock	5 FE 1893	15
Ellie Adcock	Lee Adcock	10 JE 1894	13
	James Adcock	13 AU 1895	11
	Cary Adcock	9 MR 1903	8
Joseph Hays	Ollie Hays	1892	16
	Golda Hays	1894	14
James Johnson	Birdie Johnson	1889	19
Betty Johnson	Mary Johnson	1891	17
	Clarence Johnson	1895	13
	Mamie Johnson	1897	11
H.H. McCracken			
Mrs. H. McCracken	Zelpha McCracken	30 OC 1901	6
C.W. Arnold	Annie Arnold	6 AP 1894	16
Mary C. Arnold	Mary Arnold	6 MR 1896	14
James Dulan			
Mary Dulan	Susie Dulan	1 JE 1899	9
Frank A. Mires	Cam Mires	20 AU 1888	19
An Mires	Cordie A. Mires	7 MY 1891	17
	Jas. C. Mires	2 MY 1893	15
	Palice A. Mires	4 JL 1885	13
	Lucy M. Mires	15 JA 1897	12
G.W. Heltsley			
July Heltsley	H.D. Heltsley	28 AU 1889	18
R.E. Young	Claud Hicks	19 FE 1892	16
M.L. Denton	Girtie Denton	27 JL 1893	15
	Arthur Denton	23 DE 1891	17
	Hison Denton	23 JE 1898	10
	Hovey Denton	11 OC 1901	6
J.C. Caskey	J.C. Caskey	1 MY 1892	16
F.B. Caskey	Hester Caskey	15 JE 1896	12
	Fred Caskey	4 AP 1898	10
Amos Right	Amos Right	20 NO 1889	19
Mollie Right	Alva Right	5 MY 1892	16
	Mollie Right	12 NO 1894	--
John Hardison	Basom Hardison	1899	9
Mrs. John Hardison	Elmose Hardison	1900	8
Claud Broughton	Marry Broughton	15 -- 1893	14
	Wood Broughton	189-	11
Frank Dukes	Lener Dukes	13 JL 1893	15
	John Dukes	7 MY 1896	12
E.F. Carver	Ernest Carver	27 SE 1900	8
Lucy Carver	Ermine Carver	29 MR 1902	6
R.H. Keown	Shrley Smith	17 AU 1895	13
Daisy Keown	Emet Keown	29 DE 1898	10
	Landie Keown	6 FE 1902	6
N.F. Roberts	Charley Roberts	23 NO 1891	17
H.L. Roberts	Fanna Roberts	27 SE 1894	14
	Daizy Roberts	10 AP 1896	12
George Drake	George Drake	3 AU 1896	
Alvis Adcock	Flora Adcock	10 MY 1900	
Salla Adcock	Bell Adcock	9 JA 18--	
	Joe Bob Adcock	24 SE 1899	
	John R. Adcock	10 -- 189-	
	Noah H. Adcock	28 NO 18--	
	Maggie A. Adcock	28 AP 1900	
Jas. John Whitehouse	Bell Whitehouse	21 FE 1889	
G.J. Doss	Minna Doss	10 MR 1891	
Nan Doss	Nola Doss	18 AU 1893	
	Kata Doss	21 FE 1895	
	Willie Doss	24 AP 1897	
John A. Adcock	Grace Adcock	5 FE 1893	
Ellie Adcock	Lee Adcock	10 JE 1895	
	James Adcock	13 AU 1896	
	Cora Adcock	9 MR 1900	
Joseph Hays	Ollie Hays	1902	
	Gola Hays	18-4	
James Johnson	Birdie Johnson	1889	
Bettie Johnson	Mara Johnson	1891	
	Clarence Johnson	1895	
	Mama Johnson	1897	
W.H. McCracken	Delpha McCracken	30 OC 1901	
C.W. Arnold	Anna Arnold	6 AP 1894	

Continued Parent or Guardian	YOUNG SCHOOL Names of Children	Dist. #11 Date of Birth	Age
Mary C. Arnold	Mara Arnold	6 MR 1896	
James Dulan	Susie Dulan	1 JE 1899	
Frank A. Mires	Cam Mires	20 AU 1889	
Ann Mires	Cordie A. Mires	7 MR 1891	
	Joe C. Mires	2 MY 1893	
	Palice A. Mires	4 JL 1895	
	Lucy M. Mires	15 JA 1897	
G.W. Heltsley	S.D. Heltsley	28 AU 1889	
July Heltsley	Claud Hicks	19 FE 1892	
B.E. Young	Girtie Denton	27 JL 1893	
M.L. Denton	Arthur Denton	27 DE 1891	
	Hisom Denton	23 JE 1898	
	Hover Denton	11 OC 1901	
J.C. Caskey	J.C. Caskey	11 MY 1892	
F.B. Caskey	Hester Caskey	15 JE 1896	
	F.C. Caskey	4 AP 1898	
Amos Right	Amos Right	20 NO 1889	
Mollie Right	Alva Right	5 MY 1892	
	Mollie Right	12 NO 1896	
John Hardison	Basom Hardison	189-	
Mrs. Hardison	Elmar Hardison	1900	
Claud Broughton	Mary Broughton	1893	
	Wood Broughton	1897	
Frank Dukes	Lener Dukes	17 JL 1893	
Ellen Dukes	John Dukes	7 MY 1896	
E.F. Carver	Ernest Carver	27 SE 1900	
Lucy Carver	Ermine Carver	29 MR 1902	
B.F. Keown	Shirly Smith	17 AU 1895	
Daisy Keown	Ernest Keown	29 DE 1898	
	Blanche Keown	6 FE 1902	
N.L. Roberts	Charley Roberts	23 JA 1891	
H.J. Roberts	Frank Roberts	27 SE 1894	
	Daisey Roberts	26 SE 1896	

PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL (near Bremen)	District #52	1908-1909
Parent or Guardian	Names of Children	Date of Birth
P.A. Shaver	Kenneth Shaver	10 FE 1898
	Lilburn	9 MR 1901
Louis Wiggins	W.L. Wiggins	21 DE 1898
J.D. Gish	Lillon Gish	3 MR 1902
Tim Shelton	Carnel Shelton	3 MR 1898
	Thelmar "	20 MR 1902
Cleo Davin	Cleo Davin	18 FE 1890
Bob Vincent	Farrie Vincent	6 JA 1891
	Floyd "	14 FE 1894
	Foley "	5 DE 1896
	Bettie "	23 JA 1898
	--ell "	12 -- 1900
E.P. Vincent	Susie "	30 MY 1902
	Devey "	13 SE 1898
Briant Jarvis	Bertha Jarvis	3 MR 1890
	Marshal "	2 NO 1897
Charlie Gish	Marble Gish	5 MR 1899
Dan Gish	Hettie "	6 JA 1892
	Lorai "	16 FE 1894
Amos Gish	Elmer "	4 FE 1891
	Albert "	13 OC 1892
	Fin "	8 MR 1893
	Marshal "	26 AU 1895
	Hosie "	10 MR 1897
	Eben "	3 SE 1898
	Susie "	4 FE 1901
Joe Gish	Hershel "	22 JA 1891
	Mary "	2 SE 1893
	Elwood "	4 JA 1898
J.J. Humphrey	Ezra Humphrey	16 OC 1890
	Bessie Jarvis	12 AP 1892
(P.) T.E. Bruce	Clide Bruce	27 AU 1890
	Claude "	19 NO 1891
	Hattie "	23 JE 1894
	Cleveland "	16 NO 1895
	Mittie "	11 JL 1901
Finis Moore	Loice Moore	3 JA 1900
Marion Gross	Clinton Gross	11 OC 1888
	Essie M. "	21 NO 1891
	Jacob "	11 NO 1893
	Aubrey "	24 MR 1898
Ed Rhoades	Floyd Rhoades	12 JE 1892
Alijah Richey	Duell-- Richey	19 JA 1889

MUD RIVER MINES SCHOOL District #67

1908-1909

Parent or Guardian	Names of Children	Date of Birth
M.D. Blaine	Annie E. Blaine	23 JE 1891
	Bessie "	7 JL 1892
	Oscar E. "	23 AU 1893
O.A. Hunt	Vernie Hunt	25 DE 1890
	Ebon "	4 AU 1895
	Clarence "	17 AP 1897
J.W. Johnson	James P. Johnson	1895
	Clarence "	1896
	John M. "	1898
	Rachel "	1902
A.A. Steele	John E. Steele	16 JL 1890
	Sadie "	1 AU 1892
	Ida "	17 MY 1895
Mrs. Fanny Penrod	John Penrod	26 JA 1890
	Ivy "	1 NO 1894
Rosa Whitney	Dicie Whitney	8 FE 1893
	Jacob "	1901
Robert J. Shepherd	Hadie Shepherd	23 NO 1895
	Beatrice "	1899
	Robert "	3 JL 1901
Philip Lesley	Rhoda Lesley	22 AU 1888
Mrs. J.B. Ryan	George Johnson	22 FE 1891
	William "	8 MR 1893
Charlie Miller	W.L. Miller	1890
	Clarence "	1892
	George "	1895
	John "	1896
	Carrie "	1898
	Dewey "	1900
Ben. Lesley	William T. Lesley	20 OC 1901
Thos. Lesley	Novella Lesley	16 JL 1889
	May Sherfield	1900
David Acre	Claymin Acre	10 JE 1899
Abner Arnold	Orion Arnold	23 DE 1899
	Lorany "	26 AP 1901
Mrs. Mary J. McIntire	Minnie F. McIntire	3 OC 1901
Rosa Whitney	Joe Whitney	DE 1901
M.D. Blaine	Maggie M. Blaine	23 JE 1902

McCLELLAND SCHOOL

1908-1909

Parent or Guardian	Names of Children	Date of Birth
Johnie Johnson	Earl Johnson	30 MY 1896
Ruben Crick	Flosie Crick	28 MR 1895
	Alice Crick	19 MY 1902
Alice Mates	Onie Mates	27 NO 1901
Dan Hall	Gilbert Hall	19 AP 1899
Boss Cornett	Croford Cornett	20 JA 1894
	Jake Cornett	17 MR 1895
	Rufes Cornett	9 MR 1897
Tomie Johnson	Eathel Johnson	17 JE 1901
Andrew Taylor	Orville Taylor	23 JA 1898
	Ruth Taylor	15 NO 1901
John Panell	Myrtle Panell	22 JL 1891
Alvin Taylor	Ether Taylor	17 JA 1895
	Edith Taylor	13 FE 1897
George Taylor	Clide Taylor	
W.F. Vick	Fletcher Vick	9 AU 1889
	Lera Vick	2 OC 1892
Willie Vick	Lonie Wells	6 MR 1901
Ead Smith	Floyd Smith	21 NO 1897
Willie Williams	Hershel Williads	25 NO 1901
Harvey Johnson	Omer Johnson	8 MR 1899
Stino Johnson	Prentic Johnson	31 MY 1892
Cy Boggess	Samie W. Boggess	11 NO 1900
	Melven L. Boggess	10 MY 1902
A.B. Cornett	Brank Cornett	7 JL 1888
	Ethel Cornett	2 -- 1892
	Earl Cornett	3 AU 1896
	Homer Cornett	1 SE 1898
Charlie Riggle	Homer Riggle	3 AU 1888
	Bissie Riggle	17 JA 1890
	Claed Riggle	14 NO 1895
	Limie Riggle	26 SE 1896
	Reel Riggle	2- AU 1900
Jimie Johnson	Eather Johnson	26 JA 1899

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Department of Commerce and Labor
BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
DIVISION OF NATURALIZATION

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

County of Muhlenberg } ss: In the Muhlenberg Circuit Court
State of Kentucky } of Muhlenberg County Ky

I, Edward A. Cohen, aged 24 years,
occupation Merchant, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color white, complexion dark, height 5 feet 8 inches,
weight 133 pounds, color of hair dark, color of eyes brown
other visible distinctive marks black spot on right fore arm
; I was born in Baran Dushkenitz
State of Russia, on the 14th day of June, anno
Domini 1888; I now reside at Greenville Kentucky
I emigrated to the United States of America from Rotterdam Holland
on the vessel* Rotterdam; my last
foreign residence was Dushkenitz Russia
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Nicholas II
Czar of Russia, of which I am now a citizen subject; I
arrived at the port of New York, in the
State New York
Territory of New York on or about the 23 day
of December, anno Domini 1900; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Edward Alex Cohen
(Original signature of declarant.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd

[SEAL.]

day of July, anno Domini 1912

C. S. Lewis
Clerk of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court.

By _____ Clerk.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Department of Commerce and Labor
BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
DIVISION OF NATURALIZATION

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

County of Muhlenberg } In the Muhlenberg Circuit Court
State of Kentucky } of Greenville Kentucky

I, Milton Abraham Sodd, aged 24 years,
occupation Coal miner, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Dark, height 5 feet 5 inches,
weight 120 pounds, color of hair Black, color of eyes Brown,
other visible distinctive marks Scars on nose

; I was born in Berut Syria,
on the — day of May, anno
Domini 1887; I now reside at Central City Kentucky
I emigrated to the United States of America from Berut Syria
on the vessel* American line; my last
foreign residence was Berut Syria

It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign
prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Sultan of
Turkey Mohammed V, of which I am now a ^{citizen} subject; I
arrived at the port of New York, in the
State of New York on or about the — day
of Sept, anno Domini 1904; I am not an anarchist; I am not a
polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith
to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:

SO HELP ME GOD.

Witness his mark,
Elmer M Cravens

Milton Abraham Sodd
(Original signature of declarant)

Subscribed and sworn to affirmed before me this 2nd

[SEAL.]

day of Sept, anno Domini 1912

E. S. Leach

Clerk of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court

By Elmer M Cravens Deputy Clerk

*If the alien arrived otherwise than by vessel, the character of conveyance or name of transportation company should be given.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Department of Commerce and Labor
BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
DIVISION OF NATURALIZATION

DECLARATION OF INTENTION

(Invalid for all purposes seven years after the date hereof)

County of Muhlenberg } ss: In the Muhlenberg Circuit Court
State of Kentucky } of Greenville, Kentucky

I, Louis Aaron Cohen, aged 21 years,
occupation Merchant, do declare on oath that my personal
description is: Color White, complexion Fair, height 5 feet 7 inches,
weight 145 pounds, color of hair Light, color of eyes Gray,
other visible distinctive marks Scar in center of abdomen below navel.
I was born in Dneshniki, Grand Duchy of Russia, on the 22nd day of January, anno Domini 1812; I now reside at Greenville, Kentucky.
I emigrated to the United States of America from Dneshniki, Russia, on the vessel Kaiserin Augusta Victoria; my last foreign residence was Dneshniki, Russia.
It is my bona fide intention to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to Nicholas II. Emperor of all the Russians, of which I am now a ^{citizen} subject; I arrived at the port of New York, in the State of New York on or about the 20th day of January, anno Domini 1908; I am not an anarchist; I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy; and it is my intention in good faith to become a citizen of the United States of America and to permanently reside therein:
SO HELP ME GOD.

Louis Aaron Cohen
(Original signature of declarant.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th
day of March, anno Domini 1913.

[SEAL.]

C. S. Leonard
Clerk of the Muhlenberg Court.
By Oliver M. Shacken, Deputy Clerk.

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WELLS McCLELLAN DUKES

Would like to hear from anyone doing research on NOAH WELLS or SAMUEL McCLELLAN. Who was the father of MARY POLLY DUKES? She married NOAH WELLS 1833 Muhlenberg County KY. Melba Bailey, 413 Dearborn #9, Hillsboro, IL. 62049. (217)532-5571

LITTLEPAGE HARRISON SAUNDERS HIGHTOWER

Seek information on the LITTLEPAGE, HARRISON, SAUNDERS and HIGHTOWER families in Muhlenberg, Hopkins and Todd Counties. I would like to correspond with any descendants. Have lots of information to share. Joyce Dial Ubl, 17709 Park Mill Drive, Rockville, MD. 20855.

DONAHOO INGLEHART STRINGER

Seek parentage of ELIZABETH H. DONAHOO, b 1821, KY. First marriage to WILLIAM INGLEHART, 1839 Muhlenberg County KY. Second marriage to ZACHARIAH STRINGER c1856 Muhlenberg/McLean Co. KY. Donna Heath, 400 Denise Dr., Marshall, TX. 75670

STRINGER DONAHOO WHITMERE

Would like to swap info with anyone researching: STRINGER, ZACHARIAH, ISAAC, LARRY. All b 1771-75 NC; resided Muhlenberg Co. by 1840. Would like to swap info on these or any of their desc. DONAHOO, ANTHONY & ELIZABETH (WHITMERE) DONAHOO. Daughter ELIZABETH c 1832, KY, married DARRELL STRINGER, 1852, Muhlenberg Co. KY. Am seeking additional info on any/all of these. Donna Heath, 400 Denise Dr., Marshall, TX. 75670

GIBBS ELY WESTRAY

JOHN GIBBS, b c1765 in VA, married 2, SALLY ELY, 15 FE 1913 in Logan County KY. By then he had a family of about 12 children. Does anybody know who his first wife was? One of his children was SMITH GIBBS, b c1794 in VA, who married POLLY WESTRAY, 2 JA 1818 in Logan County KY. POLLY's father could have been SIMON WESTRAY. Does anybody have information about this WESTRAY family? Robert K. Craig, 5350 Johnson Terrace, Farmington, NM. 87402.

HENRY BARNARD WOLCOTT

Need contact with descendants of SAMUEL HENRY b 10 JL 1829, d 13 JA 1909. He is buried in Fairmont Cemetery, Central City. Married MARY EMILY BARNARD of Ohio Co. KY. SAMUEL's brother JAMES HENRY b 1822 possibly in Ohio Co. KY, d 2 MR 1867. He married CHRISTINA WOLCOTT of OH, possibly from NY state. Both migrated as young men from Mason County or Bracken County KY to Muhlenberg Co. KY and settled in South Carrollton. Both were shoemakers. Some of JAMES' descendants live in Marion, Crittenden Co. KY. Particularly interested in their father WILLIAM HENRY, who emigrated probably from Ireland, settled in OH, then moved across the river to Mason County KY. Charles David Henry, 3013 Stanford Dr., Lexington, KY. 40517. (606) 272-2942

EDWARDS STARKS

Seeking any information on DAVID EDWARDS on pension roll in 1833 for Muhlenberg Co. KY with VA line. Know son JOHN EDWARDS on Muhlenberg Co. Census for 1850 #505, married ELIZABETH STARKS 7 JA 1830 Todd Co. KY. Doris Slaughter, Route 8 Box 277, Benton, KY. 42025.

KEITH HUNSAKER LASLEY

ABNER KEITH b 1778, Washington Co. PA and d 1866 in Perry Co. IL. Married MADLENA HUNSAKER/LASLEY, 1804 Muhlenberg Co. KY. Was his father HENRY KEITH? Who was his mother? Was HENRY the son of JOHN KEITH? When and where did HENRY die? Resided in Muhlenberg Co. KY in 1814. Rita Wilburn Ackerman, 4055 E. Hartford Ave., Phoenix, AZ. 85032-2220

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